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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

Applicant's or agent's file reference FP19516	FOR FURTHER ACTION		see Form PCT/ISA/220 as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.
International application No. PCT/AU2004/000424	International filing date (<i>day/month/year</i>) 1 April 2004	(Earliest) Priority Date (<i>day/month/year</i>) 3 April 2003	
Applicant COMMONWEALTH SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH ORGANISATION et al			

This international search report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This international search report consists of a total of **4** sheets.

☒ It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. Basis of the report

- a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

☐ The international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).

- b. ☐ With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.

2. ☐ **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (See Box No. II).

3. ☐ **Unity of invention is lacking** (See Box No. III).

4. With regard to the **title**,

☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

☐ the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

5. With regard to the **abstract**,

☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

☐ the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box No. IV. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.

6. With regard to the **drawings**,

- a. the figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No. **1**

☒ as suggested by the applicant.

☐ as selected by this Authority, because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.

☐ as selected by this Authority, because this figure better characterizes the invention.

- b. ☐ none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

Int. Cl. ⁷: G01N 21/86, 21/898, 33/36, D06H 3/08

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

DWPI & keywords: laminar, web, planar, textile, sheet, fabric; light, led; photodetector, photodiode, optical sensor; array; uniform, variation, defect, homogeneous; and other similar terms

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	US 5 825 501 A (MEE ET AL.) 20 October 1998 see entire document	1 - 26
A	US 4 978 858 A (ELLSWORTH ET AL.) 18 December 1990 see entire document	1 - 26
A	US 4 938 601 A (WEBER) 3 July 1990 see entire document	1 - 26
A	US 4 922 109 A (BERCOVITZ ET AL.) 1 May 1990 see entire document	1 - 26

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A	WO 1989/004887 A1 (NEDERLANDSE ORGANISATIE VOOR TOEGEPASTNATUURWETENSCHAPPELIJK ONDERZOEK TNO) 1 June 1989 see entire document	1 - 26
A	US 4 565 444 A (MACTAGGART) 21 January 1986 see entire document	1 - 26
A	US 4 525 630 A (CHAPMAN) 25 June 1985 see entire document	1 - 26

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Information on patent family members

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Patent Document Cited in Search Report				Patent Family Member			
US	5825501						
US	4978858	EP	0428715	WO	9015362		
US	4938601	DE	3534019	DE	3709500	FR	2587802
		FR	2613075	GB	2180929	GB	2202627
		JP	62075233	JP	63261144	US	4775238
US	4922109	CH	690471	DE	3815375	EP	0338123
WO	8904887	NL	8702805				
US	4565444	CA	1201298	DE	3339435	JP	59097021
US	4525630	CA	1196984	DK	360682	EP	0072236
		JP	58086680	NO	822719		
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